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NEWSLETTER

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Petrus Winter beer is coming back!

Starting November, you should again be able to get your hands on the beautiful six-pack of the delicious Petrus Winter ale. This year it comes in larger 11.2 oz bottles, and this year's vintage is refermented in the bottle, which makes it a living beer. A smoother taste, and natural carbonation is the result. Ideal to age for future vertical tastings (= many vintages of the same beer) The free sturdy Petrus bottle opener is again part of the deal. Ask your favorite retailer or distributor now to stock this beer.

Unfortunately for Ohioans, this great State believes that St. Peter and Santa Claus is the same person, or look alike, and closes its borders for the Petrus Winter beer. And unfortunately for a lot of other folks in also great States that discriminate against higher alcohol beer (Carolina's, Georgia,...), this fabulous ale comes in at 6.5 % alcohol by volume.



The largest selection of Belgian beer glasses in the USA, T-shirts, books, and so much more.



The gift-season is approaching pretty fast. Make sure to point your potential donors in the direction of our fabulous internet-shop at www.globalbeer.com. They will find the largest selection of Belgian beer glasses (+ 180!), including all your favorites, some exceptional antiques and rare to find collectibles. Bottle-openers, ashtrays, baseball-caps, posters, steins, shirts, key-chains, playing cards ... you name it, we have it for you.

New! Unique! The Michael Jackson glass-collection.

- The four glasses alone: \$ 20
- The four glasses + the Michael Jackson book: \$ 40, save \$ 9.00

S&H extra, and CA residents pay sales tax.

The lights flip on in some researchers heads!

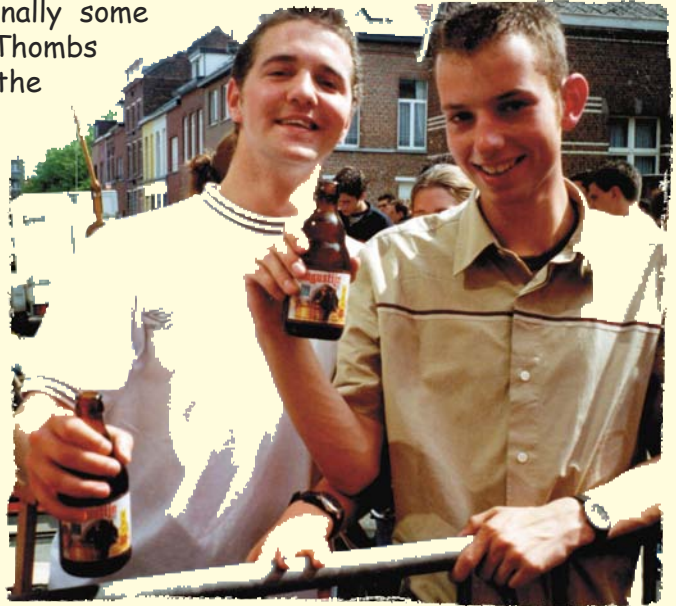
Dennis Thombs, researcher at Kent State University says: "Accept the fact that college students drink, and try to change the culture of their drinking." He doesn't believe that the 'just-say-no'-campaigns, higher taxes and anti-drinking billboards prevent young people from consuming alcohol. Could he be on to something here? Has finally some researcher, paid by our tax-dollars (\$ 153,000 in Mr. Thombs case!!), the courage to tell the truth instead of what the political sponsors want to hear?

Dennis went out to the pubs and tested students for drunkenness with breath analyzers. Surprise. The vast majority of the students were not as drunk as they thought they were, and once they saw that the pressure to keep up with the crowd was gone, more moderation became the rule. Together with the knowledge that drinking 2 - 3 glasses of wine or beer per day is actually good for your health, it reinforces the aim for moderation. (Beacon Journal, July 17 2003)

Just as we have said for years: in Europe, responsible parents teach their children how to drink and handle alcohol at a young age by serving beer or wine at lunch and dinner, even some schools are so wise.

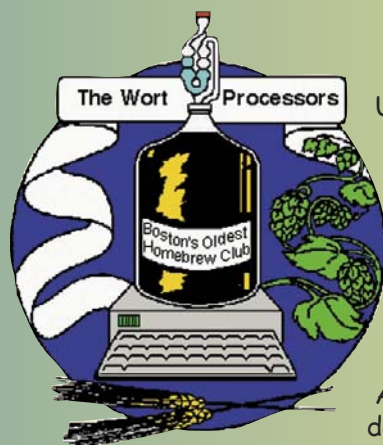
This 'underage drinking' problem in the U.S., is a faux problem. Lower the legal drinking age to 16, like in the rest of the civilized world, and the problem is for 90 % solved. It's that easy. It's a political problem that can be solved with 2 new federal laws: (1) lower legal drinking age, and (2) force car-manufactures to install alcohol-ignition locks in all cars. Bye Bye MADD, you're out of business, and you probably don't want that since you are making so much money.

Such state-of-the-art ignition locks can at the same time prevent cars from crashing due to drivers falling asleep. Falling asleep behind the wheel or dozing off kills more people than driving-under-the influence. But of course, a whole source of revenue for the States, the justice system, the lawyer-business, the jail-system, and MADD would disappear. That's maybe the reason why inexpensive, and very effective solutions are not on the political agenda. It's too simple, and creates a loss of revenue, which is of a higher value than the lives saved.



Students in Belgium

BELGIAN FUN & BEER TOUR: APRIL 18- 25, 2004 A "home-brewers-special"!



Join the Boston "Wort-processors", one of the oldest home-brew clubs in the U.S., on their 20th anniversary tour to Belgium. Visit with them 12 famous Belgian breweries, and 3 old brewery museums. Meet the Belgian brew-masters in person, taste numerous exceptional and unique Belgian beers with your fellow home-brewers. Swap ideas on how to brew Belgians. Have time to enjoy the eternal beauty of cities like Gent, Brugge, Antwerpen, Brussels, Ieper. Dine in the finest world famous beer restaurants like Den Dyver, 't Hommelhof, De Heeren van Liedekercke, ... and more. Participate in pub-crawls, while meeting the locals, discovering rare beers, and having the time of your life.

As a home brewer, you can't miss this tour! Only limited seating available! Read more details, and make your reservation now at www.globalbeer.com.

Brewer's Yeast.

The microscopic plant, *Saccharomyces Cerevisiae* - commonly referred to as brewer's yeast - is nutritionally superior to all other types of yeast. It is one of the best natural sources of the entire B-vitamin complex. It is a superb source of concentrated protein, including ALL the essential amino acids.

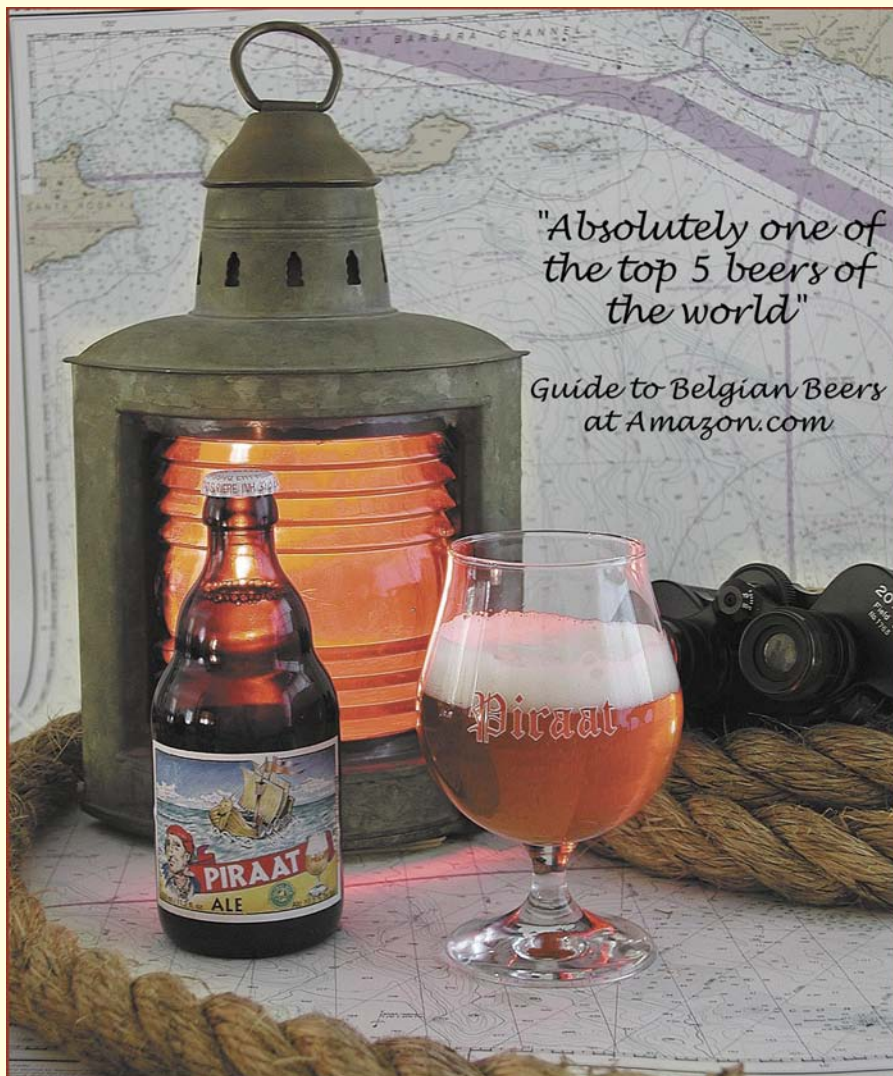
It is extraordinarily rich in nucleic acid, which is the basic element in cell development and is believed to retard the aging process. It is the best nutritional source of chromium that occurs in brewer's yeast in an organic compound known as GTF (Glucose Tolerant Factor). This vital factor is found in few other foods and is essential for the production of effective insulin, without which the body cannot properly handle glucose, its major fuel.

As if this were not enough, brewer's yeast is also rich in selenium, potassium and many other factors too numerous to mention - all in the most available form for immediate use by the body.



Yeast under microscope

If you are not a Belgian beer drinker, you should probably buy from your local health shop some brewer's yeast for your daily consumption, or online from, for example, www.lewis-labs.com. The people who actually wrote the first three paragraphs of this article.



"Absolutely one of the top 5 beers of the world"

Guide to Belgian Beers at Amazon.com

As a Belgian beer drinker, you know that the LIVING beers, the beers that are refermented in the bottle, AKA bottle conditioned, have a small amount of brewer's yeast added into the bottle and into the keg. You can identify this yeast as the sediment on the bottom of the bottle, that can be stirred up by shaking the bottle. Drink your Belgian beer daily, and you will have your brewer's yeast every day. I cannot imagine a more pleasuring way for taking your vitamins.

Some of our most famous living beers are: PIRAAT, Gulden Draak, Augustijn Abbey ale, Bornem Double & Triple Abbey ales, Bruegel amber ale, Poperings Hommel Ale, Joseph Spelt Ale, Sara Buckwheat ale, Scotch de Silly, ...

Brewer's Yeast, a living thing, is 300 million years older than us, human beings.

Lucky we've put it to good use for us, instead of the other way around.

Historic Rally of Ypres.

Brewery Van Eecke, brewer of the Belgian icon POPERINGS HOMMEL ALE, is a proud sponsor of the yearly International Historic Rally of Ypres, where vintage cars (+30 years) start in Ypres (Ieper in West Flanders) and race through the beautiful "Westhoek", the South-Western corner of Flanders. The brewery's vintage truck was on display at their pub-booth on the Market Square, just adjacent to the starting position.

The event attracts many thousands of spectators who take up viewing positions along the way from early morning on.



The roads are cleared for regular traffic. Several checkpoints for the racers are set up in the tiny rural villages along the racing-track, which consists mostly of one-lane rural roads. Tents are set up everywhere to supply the spectators with beer and food.



Sometimes when I reflect back on all the beer I drink I feel shamed. Then I look into the glass and think about the workers in the brewery and all of their hopes and dreams. If I didn't drink this beer, they might be out of work and their dreams would be shattered. Then I say to myself, "It is better that I drink this beer and let their dreams come true than be selfish and worry about my liver."

Jack Handy